Minutes of the Casitas Municipal Water District Board Meeting Held May 11, 2022

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held May 11, 2022. The meeting was held in person and via teleconference.

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Brennan called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Directors Bergen, Kaiser, and Cole are in attendance and President Brennan is attending virtually. Director Hajas arrived at 5:18 p.m. Also present are GM Flood, AGM Dyer, EA Vieira and Counsel Mathews.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Kaiser led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. AGENDA CONFIRMATION

There were no changes to the agenda.

5. <u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u> - Presentation on District related items that are not on the agenda - three minute limit.

None

6. CONSENT AGENDA

- 6.a. Accounts Payable Report.
 Accounts Payable Report.pdf
- 6.b. Minutes of the April 27, 2022 Board Meeting. 4 27 2022 Min.pdf
- 6.c. Resolution proclaiming a local emergency persists, re-ratifying the proclamation of a state of emergency by Executive Order and re-authorizing remote teleconference meetings of the legislative bodies of Casitas Municipal Water District for the period of May 12, 2022 to June 10, 2022 pursuant to Brown Act provisions. Resolution Subsequent AB 361.pdf

President Brennan asked to pull item 6b for discussion.

The consent agenda consisting of items 6a and 6c were offered by Director Cole,

seconded by Director Kaiser and adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

Directors:

Bergen, Kaiser, Cole, Brennan

NOES:

Directors:

None

ABSENT: D

Directors:

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Regarding item 6.b. President Brennan stated that he walked away from the meeting thinking there was a consensus in approval of sending a letter in support of a grant but the minutes seemed to suggest there were two in favor and two that were not. He asked for the Board's recollection. The board discussed this at length and it was revealed that Directors Brennan, Bergen, and Cole are in favor of a letter.

Director Hajas arrived at 5:15 p.m.

On the motion of Director Cole, seconded by Director Hajas, the minutes are to be revised to show Director Cole as being in favor of providing a letter of support for the grant. This revised minutes were approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

Directors:

Bergen, Cole, Hajas, Brennan

NOES:

Directors:

Kaiser

ABSENT:

Directors:

None

7. ACTION ITEMS

7.a. Approve Change Order No. 3 to Travis Agricultural Construction, Inc. for the Mutual Well #7 Well Equipment and Site Work, Specification No. 20-438 in the amount of

\$18,231.15.

Board Memo for Mutual Wel 7 Wel Equipment and SIte Work Change Order 3.pdf

On the motion of Director Hajas, seconded by Director Cole the above item was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

Directors:

Bergen, Kaiser, Cole, Hajas, Brennan

NOES:

Directors:

None

ABSENT:

Directors:

None

- 7.b. West and East Ojai Avenue Pipeline Replacement, Specification No. 19-411.
 - 7.b.i. Authorize the General Manager to issue a Task Order to Rincon Consultants, Inc. for environmental support services for a fee not to exceed \$176,249 for West and East Ojai Avenue Pipeline Replacement, Specification No. 19-411.
 - 7.b.ii. Authorize the General Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Annette Ayala for cultural resources monitoring services for a fee not to exceed \$50,400 for West and East Ojai Avenue Pipeline Replacement, Specification No. 19-411.

7.b.iii. Authorize the General Manager to issue a Task Order to Yeh and Associates, Inc. for geotechnical and material testing services for a fee not to exceed \$117,957 for West and East Ojai Avenue Pipeline Replacement, Specification No. 19-411. May_2022_Services During Construction.pdf Copy of CMWD_WestEast_OjaiAve_PplnRepPro_ConMon_Prop_2022-02-17.pdf Copy of Ojai Ave project proposal.pdf 222-227 CS Casitas Ojai Ave Piepline.R5-6-22.pdf

On the motion of Director Bergen, seconded by Director Kaiser the above items were approved by roll call vote with Director Cole voting no on item 7.b.i. All other votes were as follows:

AYES:

Directors:

Bergen, Kaiser, Cole, Hajas, Brennan

NOES:

Directors:

None

ABSENT:

Directors:

None

7.c. <u>Discuss annual water supply and demand assessment, reaffirm the Stage 3</u>
<u>Declaration drought response actions, and direct staff to return to the Board to discuss preparation for Stage 4 Declaration.</u>

FY 2023 Water Supply Assessment 051122 FINAL v2.pdf

AGM Dyer provided a presentation on the annual water supply and demand assessment and recommended that the Board reaffirm the current Stage 3 demand response measures and direct staff to return for further discussion of a possible Stage 4 declaration anticipated for later this year.

On the motion of Director Kaiser, seconded by Director Hajas, the recommendations to reaffirm the current Stage 3 demand response measures and direction for staff to return to the board with further discussion of a stage 4 declaration were approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

Directors:

Bergen, Kaiser, Cole, Hajas, Brennan

NOES:

Directors:

None

ABSENT:

Directors:

None

7.d. <u>Discussion and possible action for approval of Restated Employment Agreement between the District and General Manager.</u>

Recommended Action: Board Discretion

Restated GM Agreement.pdf

On the motion of Director Hajas, seconded by Director Kaiser the restated agreement was approved as amended to also include a 12 month service by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

Directors:

Bergen, Kaiser, Cole, Hajas, Brennan

NOES:

Directors:

None

ABSENT:

Directors:

None

8. INFORMATION ITEMS

- 8.a. State Water Project Intertie Report. SWP Intertie Project Cost 4-30-22.pdf
- 8.b. CFD 2013-01 Report. CFD 2013-1 Project Cost 4-30-2022.pdf
- 8.c. Adjudication Charges Report.
 Adjudication Charges YTD 4.30.22.pdf
- 8.d. Financial Statements for February. Financial Statements 02-28-2022 Summary.pdf
- 8.e. Non-Budgeted Items Log. Non-Budgeted Items Log.pdf
- 8.f. Investment Report.
 Investment Report 4.30.2022.pdf

On the motion of Director Kaiser, seconded by Director Bergen the information items were received by the following vote:

AYES:

Directors:

Bergen, Kaiser, Cole, Hajas, Brennan

NOES:

Directors:

None

ABSENT:

Directors:

None

9. GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS

Gm Flood informed the board that there is an issue in Granicus being able to tie in with Zoom. The latest we heard is that it will take until October to get the equipment that is needed. We have added another speaker phone and will continue to work on it.

There have been meetings of the ad hoc committees for water rates and imported water projects. We returned the exchange agreement to the City of Ventura and have a discussion tomorrow morning. We have scheduled an ad hoc PF committee towards the end of the month.

Kelley did a great presentation yesterday for the Board of Supervisors and will do another one tomorrow at the VCAG regarding water supply.

We would like to schedule a budget workshop on June 1st at 5:00 p.m.

10. BOARD OF DIRECTOR REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED

Director Kaiser attended the AWA Board meeting last week. President Brennan was also at the meeting.

11. BOARD OF DIRECTOR COMMENTS PER GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54954.2(a).

Director Kaiser suggested that if the President of the board will be on vacation perhaps they should hand the gavel over to the VP in your absence. President Brennan responded it worked flawlessly yesterday and he will take it into consideration.

President Brennan moved the meeting to closed session at 6:15 p.m.

12. CLOSED SESSION

12.a. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9(a) Santa Barbara Channelkeeper v. State Water Resources Control Board, City of San Buenaventura, et al.; and City of San Buenaventura v Duncan Abbott, et al., Cross Complaint; Superior Court of the State of California, County of Los Angeles, Case No. 19STCP01176.

President Brennan moved the meeting back into open session at 7:28 p.m. with Mr. Mathews stating the board met in closed session and there were no actions taken.

13. ADJOURNMENT

President Brennan adjourned the meeting at 7:29 p.m.

Neil Cole, Secretary